

# Guided Reading



## African Civilizations

### Lesson 2 Africa's Governments and Religions

#### ESSENTIAL QUESTION

*How does religion shape society?*

### African Rulers and Society

- 1. Explaining** What tasks did African rulers perform in exchange for loyalty from their people?  
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- 2. Summarizing** Write a one- or two-sentence summary of the government in each of the African kingdoms in the table below.

Kingdom	Summary of Government
Ghana	
Mali	
Songhai	

# Guided Reading *Cont.*



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### Traditional African Religions

**3. Identifying** What were the beliefs of the Ashanti people?

**4. Making Generalizations** What similar purposes did many traditional African religions share?

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### Islam Arrives in Africa

**5. Organizing** Organize information from the lesson by adding important facts to the outline below.

Islam Arrives in Africa

**A. Who Was Ibn Battuta?**

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**B. The Journey of Mansa Musa**

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**C. Islam in Songhai under Askia Muhammad**

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